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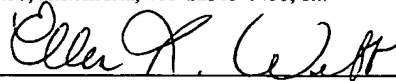
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*Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant  
application filed on or after June 8, 1995.*

*See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)*

<i>Application No.</i>	09/980,421
<i>Filing Date</i>	March 23, 2002
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<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3762
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<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	065071-9053-01

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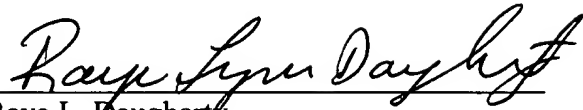
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